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HIDDEN SPRINGS NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION

DRAFT MINUTES

MEETING OF AUGUST 16, 2005

CALL TO ORDER. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM at the West Linn Adult Community Center by Acting President, Lynn C. Fox. Other officers in attendance: Charles Lytle, Interim Secretary, Donna Baker, Treasurer.

QUORUM DATA. Eligible members in good standing as of the previous meeting: 42. At 10% rounded up to the nearest whole number, the quorum for this meeting was 5. The number of eligible members in good standing in attendance at the start of the meeting was 10. Therefore, the meeting stands as an official meeting of the Neighborhood Association.

GUEST SPEAKERS.

Roberta Schwartz – Facilitator, Neighbors For A Livable West Linn

Kurt Schrader – State Senator, District 20

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Motion To Approve By – Curt Sommers

Motion To Approve Seconded By – Donna Baker

Vote On The Motion -- 8 Yea, 2 Nay, 0 Abstention ? Motion Carried

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Balance 7/16/05 \$1,483.82

WL Old Time Fair Expenses <\$ 223.76>

Copy of WL Master Traffic Plan <\$ 7.36>

Balance 8/16/05 \$1,252.70

The Association booth at the W.L. Old Time Fair netted \$37.00.

POLICE ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT. HSNA Committee Representative Harvey Schultz reported that the City Council has decided to NOT have a representative from each neighborhood association. The Council will choose eleven citizen members from amongst those who submit applications. The committee will elect officers in September. The last meeting featured a speaker from Tualatin who talked about their new police building program. It has an estimated cost of \$5.5 million. The W.L. committee will look at future population trends and then scope out an estimated size requirement of the W.L. station. Siting a new station has not yet been addressed.

TRAFFIC SAFETY COMMITTEE REPORT. HSNA Committee Representative Lynn Fox reported that the Suncrest-at-Hidden Springs crosswalk is now completed.

OLD BUSINESS. Interim Secretary Charles Lytle reported that the motion and amendment tabled at the last meeting are now moot because Citizens for a Livable West Linn decided not to place an ad in the Tidings.

NEW BUSINESS. (1) Interim Secretary Charles Lytle noted that the practice of self-introductions had stopped sometime during the preceding calendar year. He felt that the practice served as an excellent way to get to know neighbors and promote openness and friendliness. He then formally moved that the practice be re-instituted.

Motion: Charles Lytle

Second To The Motion: Curt Summer

Vote On The Motion: 10 Yea, 2 Nay, 0 Abstentions ? Motion Carried

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(2) Acting President Lynn Fox reported that she, Association member Ingrid Mueller, and Sgt. Bonnolo of TVF&R toured the bridge trail behind Palomino Way. Ms. Fox took a number of pictures, which were submitted to the Mayor and City Council. The trail is full of debris, discarded bottles, and other scrap, and there are many instances of homeowners placing structures in the trail. The Association has asked for City assistance in cleaning up the trail.

(3) A discussion ensued regarding the mechanism by which the Association can receive and maintain standing on all development issues, including annexations. Acting President Lynn Fox stated that the City Planning Director, Brian Brown, is going to conduct a training class for citizens interested in how standing is achieved. She will attend and invited others interested to join her. The date and time has not been set. This discussion continued in regards to the accelerated growth actions of the City Manager. The consensus was that the City Manager was making policy instead of the Mayor and Council, the exact opposite of what they campaigned on last Fall. It was suggested

that the Association go on record opposing the Manager's recent, accelerated annexation program. A motion was put forward to communicate to the Mayor and City Council that the HSNA has taken a "no confidence" vote in regards to the Interim City Manager, Ron Grazinni.

Motion: Gary Hitesman

Second To The Motion: Curt Sommer

Vote On The Motion: 10 Yea, 0 Nay, 0 Abstentions ? Motion Carried Unanimously

GUEST SPEAKER ROBERTA SCHWARTZ. Ms. Schwartz reported that there will be a benefit auction at her house on Friday, August 19th at 7 PM to benefit Neighbors for a Livable West Linn. Funds are earmarked for hiring a consulting engineer to examine the proposed Tannler West commercial development. She also reported that the organization has met with the developer, who at least listened to their concerns.

GUEST SPEAKER STATE SENATOR KURT SCHRADER. Senator Schrader represents District 20, which includes north Clackamas County and includes the cities of Canby, Oregon City, and Gladstone. He strongly opposes the Expedited Land Development law and introduced a bill in the previous legislative session to repeal it. His bill was never reported out of committee, so he is going to attempt it in 2007. He feels that the expedited process has several flaws, including: relaxed notification requirements; good planning principles do not have to be followed; there is no provision for citizen input; local officials are excluded; appeals can only be made on technical grounds; and appeals are heard before an administrative judge, not the Land Use Board of Appeals. He would like to see local committees formed at the grass roots level to help draft language for a bill repealing or at least modifying the expedited process. He felt that the developer lobby is so powerful in Salem that outright repeal would be just about impossible.

NEXT MEETING DATE TO BE SEPTEMBER 20, 2005

Motion To Meet In September – Barbara Eden

Second To The Motion – Gary Hitesman

Vote On The Motion – 10 Yea, 0 Nay, 0 Abstentions ? Motion Carried

ADJOURMENT. The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 PM by Acting President Lynn C. Fox

DRAFT MINUTES RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED BY C.R. LYTLE

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